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SUBJ: MEDIA REACTION REPORT: SOMALIA AID, SOVIET-CUBAN INFLUENCE

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1. SHABA DAILY MJUMBE CARRIED IN WEEKEND EDITION AN JULY 30-31, AS PART OF REGULAR WEEKLY AFRICAN ROUND-UP, TWO ARTICLES ("LIBYA AND EGYPT--A WAR FOMENTED BY THE TWO SUPERPOWERS" AND "SOMALIA AND ETHIOPIA --THE U.S. TO THE AID OF SOMALIA") PURPORTING TO SHOW THAT "THESE TWO WARS HAVE MUCH IN COMMON"--NAMELY, "A WAR FOLLOWING UNCLASSIFIED

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IMMEDIATELY THE REFUSAL TO COLLABORATE WITH A SUPER POWER."

2. FIRST ARTICLE REDUCES CAUSES OF EGYPTIAN-LIBYAN CONFLICT TO FOLLOWING/ "ARAB MODERATES WONDER WHAT KHADAFI IS LOOKING FOR. THEY ACCUSE HIM OF PLAYING MOSCOW'S GAME IN HIS PART OF AFRICA. IN ORDER TO DAM UP THIS SOVIET SUBVERSION UNDER LIBYAN COVER, THE U.S., IT IS SAID, HAS PROBABLY ARMED EGYPT AND PUSHED EGYPT

INTO TEACHING LIBYA A LESSON."

3. THE SECOND CLAIMS THAT "THE SITUATION (IN ETHIOPIA'S OGADEN PROVINCE) HAS BEEN TURNING SOUR SINCE THE U.S. ANNOUNCED ITS DECISION TO SEND "DEFENSIVE" ARMS TO SOMALIA."

4. ARTICLE ON ETHIOPIA-SOMALIA CONCLUDES WITH STRONG DENUNCIATION OF AMERICAN AND SOVIET AID IN HORN OF AFRICA: "HERE IS THE INJURY OF THIS WAR. ALL THE EFFORTS THAT OUGHT TO BE DIRECTED TO DEVELOPING THESE COUNTRIES WILL BE DEPLOYED IN A USELESS WAR. THEY BOTH WILL BE INCREASINGLY IMPOVERISHED AND INCREASINGLY IN DEBT AND WILL LONG LIVE AS ENEMIES, THEREBY PREVENTING POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC EXCHANGE AND SOCIAL AND CULTURAL RELATIONS. MEANWHILE, THE TWO SUPERPOWERS DEDICATE THEMSELVES TO THEIR GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT TO BECOMING EVER BIGGER. WHAT A CONTRAST AND WHAT ILL-WILL."
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